Feuilles?" I asked.

we went our way.

"May we enter?" I asked, politely.

She laid her hands on my shoulders;

urning brusquely on my companion.

broad flight of stens to the esplanade

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

His Plea.

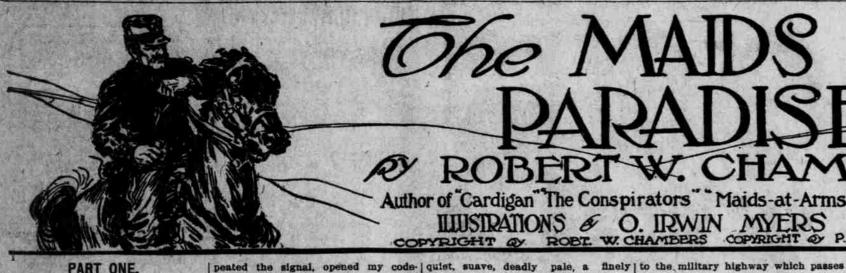
La Trappe.

hains jingled in the silence.

lovely arm.

offered my aid.

guest for poor folk."



The MAIDS RY ROBERT W. CHAMBERS

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PART ONE. CHAPTER I.

structions into cipher for safety's sake. hands and feet, and two eyes so color-less that in some lights they appeared Where the Vosges mountains towered to be almost sightless. At the Telegraph. in obscurity a curtain of rain joined On the third day of August, 1870, earth and sky. The rivers ran yellow, the power that moved that community left Paris in search of John Buckhurst, brimful, foaming at the fords. Some-On the 4th of August I lost all traces of Mr. Buckhurst near the frontier, in the village of Morsbronn. On August 5th, about eight o'clock in the mornlay. Behind that forest a German army And he was the despot. ing, the military telegraph instrument was massing, fresh from the combat in in the operator's room over the temthe north, where the tragedy of Wisporary barracks of the Third Hussars clicked out the call for urgency, not the usual military signal, but a secret tire French army—the awful spectacle sequence understood only by certain of a single division of seven thousand officers of the Imperial Military Police. The operator on duty therefore step by seventy thousand Germans. ped into my room and waited while I The rain fell steadily but less heavitook his place at the wire. ly. I changed my civilian clothes for

instructions to a successful finish.

the International Society of Working-

ed as inclined to violence left the

equality before the law, purity of in-

incentive to a national purity.

of her personal character:

house of La Trappe, she could quietly

devote her life to helping the desper-

the propaganda of universal brother-

Vho is this?" came over the in the secret code; and I answered at Morsbronn, Alsace."

After considerable delay the next essage arrived in the Morse code: "Is that you, Scarlett?" And I replied: "Yes. Who are you?

The signal was repeated, then came the message: "This is the Tuileries. You have my authority to use the Morse code for the sake of brevity. Do you understand? I am Jarras. The Empress is here." Instantly reassured by the message from Colonel Jarras, ad of the bureau to which I was atin the Morse code:

hurst?" I-"No."

Jarras-"How did he get away?" dred thieves."

There was a long pause; I lighted a cigar and waited. After a while the in- the police and the government regardstrument began again. Jarras- The Empress desires to group. There remained, with this one

know where the chateau called La exception, a nucleus of earnest, rappe is."

1-"La Trappe is about four kilo- part the creed of the Internationale, metres from Morsbronn, near the ham. the creed of universal brotherhood, let of Trois-Feuilles."

Jarras—"It is understood that Mad-

dividual living as an example and an ame de Vassart's group of socialists -re about to leave La Trappe for Para-dise, in Morbihan. It is possible that day a young widow, the Countess de mond for two hundred and fifty thou-Buckhurst has taken refuge among La Trappe. Do you understand?"

I-"Perfectly."

Jarras-"If Buckhurst is found you him if he resists arrest. If the com-



"Look Out That She Does Not Slip Through Your Fingers."

you will find and arrest the following in security, hold counsel with those ndividuals: Claude Tavernier, late who had chosen to give their lives to matics, Fontainebleau Artillery School; hood Dr. Leo Delmont, ex-interne, Charity | And here, at La Trappe, the young Hospital, Paris; Mile, Sylvia Elven. lately of the Odeon; the Countess de democracy, dedicated her life and for-

"You will affix the government seals morsel of bread that passed her lips.

the house as usual; you will then But the simple life at La Trappe, to the house as usual; you will then escort the people named to the nearest the negative protest against the Empoint on the Belgian frontier. The pire and all existing social conditions,

There was a pause, then click! click! of the generous. the instrument gave the code signal

Remarkable Feat Credited to King David by Hardshell Preacher of a

E. E. Kelly writes in the Toronto hardshell preacher back vonder when the old time kind who believed in of Scripture that met his eye when coursed the most sweetest music im- er Sharp, Belfast. he opened the Book. He also believed the Lord would put in his mouth the tern, we should do likewise and praise necessary words of exposition. And him not only with trumpet but also one Sunday he opened the Book and with the passel-tree ah!" his eye was greeted with the third verse of the one hundred and fiftieth tery Psalm: "Praise him with the

I was a little boy. He was one of as King David saw it he took up his sons receiving poor-law relief aginable ah! And, brethren and sis-

And so came to this ideal communi-

According to the register general away, why do we become saner and sound of the trumpet; praise him with of Ireland the census of 1911 showed amplified and expounded at length habited houses in the country, as ticularly if leading a sedentary life, on the trumpet, went into its history, compared with 858,158 in 1901. The should know that it is economy of use and capabilities as an instrument average number of persons a house of worship. Then he came to the was five in 1911 as against 5.2 in 1901 pealtery, which he pronounced "pas- and 6.2 in 1841. Tenements of less And old daddy went on in than five rooms in 1911 comprised delightful intonation-provincially about seventy per cent. of the total known as "ring-songing"-"My breth- and 75 per cent. of 1901. One-room

even in its most insignificant machin where in that spectral forest Prussian ery. With marvelous skill he con-cavalry were hidden, watching the structed out of that simple republic shoulder. "And, after that, you will come to a thicket of white birches." heights where our drenched divisions of protestants an absolute despotism. An intimation from the Tuileries in terrupted a meeting of the council at lowing with her blue eyes the contour sembourg had been enacted only the the house in Paradise; an arrest was of her own lovely arm, "you must turn ing about with him.

In a month from that time he was

book, and began to translate the in- molded man, with delicately fashioned the Chateau de la Trappe?"

day before, in the presence of the en- threatened—that of Professor Reclus to the left, and there you will cross a -and the indignant young Countess hill. You can see it from where we was requested to retire to her chateau stand-" men suddenly enveloped and crushed of La Trappe. She obeyed, but invited her guests to accompany her. Among those who accepted was Buckhurst. About this time the government be

a hussar uniform, sent a trooper to gan to take a serious interest in John my head I said: "It is difficult to be once: "Inspector of Foreign Division, find me a horse, and sat down by the Buckhurst. On the secret staff of the Imperial Military Police, on duty at window to stare at the downpour and Imperial Military Police were always think how best I might carry out my certain foreigners-among others, myself and a young man named James The colony at La Trappe was, as far | Speed; and Colonel Jarras had already as I could judge, a product of condi-tions which had, a hundred years be- hurst, when war came on France like a Why do you not use the code? Repeat the code signal and your number." fore, culminated in the French Revolution. Now, in 1870, but under different of the Secret Service all they could at tion. Now, in 1870, but under different of the Secret Service all they could at- first noticed her. From my saddle I

circumstances, all France was once tend to.

more disintegrating socially. Opposition to the Empire, to the dynasty, to the government, had been seething for jewels of France were menaced from years; now the separate crystals which the very first by a conspiracy so alarmformed on the edges of the boiling un- ing and apparently so irresistible that the Emperor himself believed, even in dercurrents began to grow into masses which, adhering to other masses, in the beginning of the fatal campaign, tached, I answered that I understood. terfered with the healthy functions of that it might be necessary to send the Then the telegrams began to fly, all national life. First among these came crown jewels of France to the Bank of England for safety.

Jarras—"Have you caught Buck men, with all its amliations—the "In-urst?" On the 19th of July, the day that ternationale," as it was called. In its war was declared, certain of the crown wake trailed minor societies, some jewels, kept temporarily at the palace mild and harmless, some dangerous of the Tuileries, were sent under heavy I—"There's confusion enough on the and secret, some violent, advocating guards to the Bank of France. Every frontier to cover the escape of a hunfiamond crucifix of Louis XI. was missing when the guard under Captain Siebert turned over the treasures to the governor of the Bank of France.

> dered, so the news of the robbery never became public property, but from one end of France to the other the gendarmerie, the police, local, municipal, and secret, were stirred up to activity. Within forty-eight hours, an individual answering Buckhurst's descrip-

Instantly absolute secrecy was or-

Vassart, placing at their disposal her sand francs to a dealer in Strasbourg, them. Therefore you will proceed to great wealth, asking only to be re- a Jew named Fishel Cohen. An hour knows that hussars are headlong genceived among them as a comrade. after he had recorded the transaction Her history, as known to the police, at the Strasbourg Diamond Exchange hussar," she hummed, deliberately, will bring him to Paris at once. Shoot teen she had been betrothed to an el- to Paris, in charge of a detective. A my saddle, derly, bull-necked colonel of cavalry, few hours later the stone was identified the notorious Count de Vassart, who at the Tuileries as having been taken needed what money she might bring from the famous crucifix of Louis XI.

him to maintain his reputation as the most brilliantly dissolute old rake in scription of the man who had sold him Her dossier—for, alas! the young girl already had a dossier—was interesting, particularly in its summittee. esting, particularly in its summing up access to the jewels, or how he had managed to spirit away the cross from "To the naive ignorance of a con-the very center of the Tulleries, could vent pensionnaire, she adds an inno-only he explained through the theory ence of mind, a purity of conduct, and of accomplices among the trusted inti-a credulity which render her an easy mates of the imperial entourage. And prey to the adroit, who play upon her if there existed such a conspiracy, who sympathies. She is dangerous only as | was involved?

source of revenue for dangerous My chase after Buckhurst began soon as Colonel Jarras could summon It was from her salon that young me; and as Buckhurst had last been Victor Noir went to his death at heard of in Strasbourg, I went after Auteuil on the 19th of January; and him on a train loaded with red-legged, ssibly the shock of the murder and uproarious soldiers.

the almost universal conviction that I tracked Buckhurst to Morsbronn ustice under the Empire was hope-ess drove the young Countess to seek here I was with my orders concerning a refuge in the country where, at her the unfortunate people at La Trappe, staring out at the dismal weather and wondering where my wild-goose chase stely wretched, and where she could

Half an hour later I rode out of Morsbronn, clad in the uniform of the the noblest of all works—charity and Third Hussars, a disguise supposed to convey the idea to those at La Trappe that the army and not the police responsible for their expulsion.

aristocrat first donned the robe of A moist, fern-bordered wood road attracted me; I reasoned that it must Vassart, well known for her eccenture to the cause, and worked with lead, by a short cut, across the hills her own delicate hands, for every to the military highway which passed between Trois-Feuilles and La Trappe So I took it, and presently came into four cross-roads unknown to me.

This grassy carrefour was occupied Countess de Vassart usually dresses the purity of motive, the serene and by a flock of turkeys, bustly engaged like a common peasant. Look out that inspired self-abnegation, could not in catching grasshoppers; their keeper, she does not slip through your fingers. save the colony at La Trappe nor the a prettily shaped peasant girl, looked Repeat your instructions." I repeated young chatelaine from the claws of up at me as I drew bridle, then quietly those who prey upon the innocence resumed the book she had been read-

"My child," said I, "will you kindly that the matter was ended, and I re- ty one John Buckhurst, a stranger, direct me, with appropriate gestures,

MUSIC OF THE "PASSEL-TREE" : en and my sistern ah: I do not know | tenements in Ireland declined in numust what kind of a musical tree the ber during the last decade from 79, passel-tree was ah, but no doubt King 149 to 58,334. Education statistics David knew ah. No doubt he had showed that there was an increase in planted this passel-tree right beneath both primary and secondary schools, his window, and in time it grew and especially the latter; that there was a grew until a branch of it grew right marked decline in illiteracy, and that Republican: Old Daddy Jones was a in at King David's window ah. And there was a percentage of pupils atthere is no doubt in my mind ah that tending school. The number of perbow ah, and he drew his bow across from 22.7 per 10,000 of the population choosing as his text the first passage that passel-tree limb ah and dis- in 1901 to 17.6 in 1911.-Consul Hunt-

To be out of doors is to have the nerves keyed to the proper pitch. If fresh air is not tonic to the nerves, why do moodiness and depression fall more serene as we walk or ride or time to be out of doors. Needed both or work and for health, out-door exerse, with its bath of fresh air and ie bath of fresh air-cleansed blood gives within, is as essential as the

She did not answer, and I led my saw that it was Moliere, horse down that silent avenue of trees "Why do you tend turkeys?" "Because it pleases me," she re pool which mirrored the steps of plied, raising her eyebrows in faint "And here we dismount," said I, and

which she had been reading when I only by sunbeam

"For that same reason you Monsieur Moliere?" I suggested. "Doubtless, monsieur."

CHAPTER II.

The Government Interferes.

"There is a short cut across that

neadow," said the young girl, raising

"And after that," she said, idly fol-

A deadened report shook the sum

mer air—the sound of a cannon fired

very far away, perhaps on the cita-

del of Strasbourg. Without turning

lieve that there is war anywhere in

the world-is it not mademoiselle?"

She had opened again the book

"Do you know it, my child?"

"Sufficiently," she said.

said, indifferently.

"Thank you, mademoiselle."

sabots clicked and her silver neck-"Are you what you pretend to n Alsatian turkey tender?" "Parbleu! There are my turkeys "Perhaps," said I, "but I have asked

you your answer," she replied. ou a question which remains paried. Who are you?" I demanded. "Oh, a mere nobody in such learned company," she said, shaking her head grimly, and together we mounted the with a mock humility that annoyed me intensely. "Very well," said I, conscious every

moment of her pleasure in my dis comfiture; "under the circumsta I am going to ask you to accept my escort to La Trappe; for I think you are Mademoiselle Elven, recently of the Odeon theater."

"Monsieur," she said, "do you ride through the world pressing every peasant girl you meet with such ardent entreaties? Truly, your fashion of wooling is not slow, but everybody tlemen-'Nothing is sacred from a

my forage cap, "your ridicule is not expect to meet with today. I am attempting to do my duty, and I mus ask you to do yours." "And if I refuse?"

"Then," said I, amiably, "I shall be obliged to set you on my horse." And dismounted and went toward her. After a silence she said, very seriously, "Monsieur, would you dare use violence toward me?" "Oh, I shall not be very violent,"

replied, laughing. I held the opened watch in my hand so that she could in the middle of the night and discovsee the dial if she chose. ered Ink Judson, an undesirable citi-"It is one o'clock," I said, closing the hunting-case with a snap. lustily.

She looked me steadily in the eyes. "Will you come with me to La Trappe?

She did not stir. I stepped toward her; she gave me a breathless, defiant stare; then in an instant I caught her up and swung dess lemme 'scusably ax yo', sah: As dess lemme 'scusably ax yo', sah: As her high into my saddle, before either yo' is a membuh o' de legislater—and burned fatally in an explosion at

make an awkward struggle or do any- dishonest dime or so in de on'y way condition. The men were pouring iron thing ungraceful. In silence, I led the he knows how?"-Judge. horse forward through the open gate out into the wet meadow.

As for my turkey-girl, she sat stiffly in the saddle, with a firmness and determination that proved her to be a five inches. The skin of its back is tranger to horses. I scarcely dared pale blue and by night looks dark

people we passed.

think, some of them peasants, one moth crickets on which it feeds, maor two of the better class—a country king leaps covering seven feet of loctor and a notary among them. ground.—Harper's Weekly.

NATIONS OF WIDE DIVERGENCE | dent,' and then over the border into Albanians and Turks Have Not, and Seemingly Never Can Have, Anything in Common.

"Perhaps one of the reasons that is a mild diversion beside the Althe Albanians have never really submitted to the Turks lies in a fundamental incompatability between the Albanian and Turkish character." says a returned traveler from the them and is their trusted friend. Balkan. "The Turks are melancholy. even tragic. The Albanians declare for happiness. The story is told of some Albanian soldiers who saw a a wheelbarrow across the plains from performance of Karaguez, in which a St. Joseph, Mo., to Georgetown, Colo., love story was acted, but without shortly after that he "struck it rich;" bringing the lovers together at the in fact, he was credited with having finish. The Albarians wouldn't have more wealth than anyone else in Coloit for a minute. They flourished their rado. A man of great shrewdness and the pealtery and harp." Daddy Jones that in that year there were 861,879 in- lie under the trees? Everybody, par- revolvers and yelled: "Make them ability, he was exceedingly sensitive happy! Make them happy!' And over his inability to read or write happy they had to be made before One day an old timer met him with peace could reign again. The Albanians live in a high, mountainous country, with deep valleys in be- genially, "me head's burstin' wid bust tween ranges. Even in times of peace ness. It takes two lid pincils a day to they are in constant warfare with the do me wurruk."-Everybody's Mag. Turks. There will be a 'frontier inci- zine.

persons are ill, or even below par, the Two hands of an opposite nature a much larger cylinder with a power

"How are you getting along, Pat""

"Go 'way from me, now," said Pat

banian blood feud. The English wom-

Overwhelmed With Work

Along in the '60s Pat Casey pushed

Lucky Recovery of Rings. The wife of a British army officer in "If you place the left hand in front sufficient vital force to maintain the an instrument which is capable of be- their bungalow. They were missed an invisible force emanating from the Servants went on a snake hunt, and human body, what may not be after killing seven serpents were for-

TWO MEN ARE KILLED **DURING STREET FIGHT** 

COUSINS ARE SHOT TO DEATH BY THIRD MAN, WHO ESCAPES.

Three Emerge From Alley, an Argu ment Arises, Slayer Then Whips Out a Revolver and

Begins Shooting. Youngstown. - Kuzman Liposchik and John Liposchik, cousins, were shot

to death by Yovo Clarisch during a "Why do all the people I meet carry street fight at East Youngstown. The three men, who boarded with bundles?" I demanded of the notary. "Mon Dieu, monsieur, they are too Steve Truban, emerged from an alley

near the frontier to take risks," he near the place and an argument arose. Yovo whipped out a revolver and fired "You mean to say they are running at Kuzman. The latter ran down the away from their village of Troisstreet toward Wilson-av and his cousin followed. Yovo continuing his fusillade "Exactly," he said. "War is a rude and bringing both down. According to the story of Albert

And so I left him also staring after Ward, a driver, who was taking a load us, and I had half a mind to go back of coal up the hill. Yovo continued his and examine his portfolio to see what pursuit of the victims until he came a snipe-faced notary might be carryupon their prostrate bodies. Stooping over one of them he pressed the muz-The lazy road-side butterflies flew zle of his gun to the head of one and up in clouds before the slow-stepping again pulled the trigger to make sure horse; the hill rabbits, rising to their of his death. The weapon did not respond from the fact that all of the hind-quarters, wrinkled their whiskered noses at us; from every thicket cartridges had been exploded. The speckled hedge-birds peered at us as murderer then ran rapidly toward the P. & L. E. yards and disappeared in At length, as we reached the sumthe maze of cars

mit of the sandy hill, "There is La The victims came from Huntington Trappe, monsieur," said my turkey-Ind., a few days ago and were em-"Not if one knows the world," she girl, and once more stretched out her ployed in the puddling department of the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co. Yovo had been in trouble for threatrelcome me or to warn me back; the ening to shoot a man some six weeks wet road lay straight in front, barred ago. He made his escape.

> To Discuss Financial Situation. Columbus. - Returns from may ors of 259 cities in Ohio received towards the terrace and the glassy at the headquarters of the Ohio Municipal league indicate that the attendance at the third annual session of the organization, in Columbus Jan. 20 and 21, will eclipse that of previous meetings. Nearly 500 delegates named I swung her to the ground, where her by mayors of Ohio cities are expected Discussion of the financial situation now confronting Ohio cities will take "Is that house empty?" I asked, an important place in the program and will be opened up by Mayor Newton "The Countess de Vassart will give D. Baker of Cleveland. During the discussion of this topic the state tax com-"Kindly announce me, then," I said, mission will be present and take part.

> > Surrenders After Argument, Canton.-After Frank Lynn, aged fifty-five, had shot at his daughter, Agnes, 22, and Patrolman James Hexamer at his home here, he took refuge in the house and held 10 policemen at bay. Patrolman James Herdlicka finally got into the house and Lynn turned his revolver upon him. Herdlicka argued with Lynn across a table as he looked down the barrel of the man's revolver. His argument won and Lynn gave himself up.

Prison Editor Wants Liberty. Cincinnati. - Elliott Burns, who commutation of sentence. Burns, who editor of the Penitentiary News. points out Judge Cushing's ruling in a recent murder trial, "that the question of the man's mental state at the time of the crime is to be considered."

Test School Board Law. Columbus. - Quo warranto proceedings were filed in the supreme above which rose the gray mansion of court by the new school board of Cincinnati to test the validity of the Jung small school board law.

The Hon, John R. Boomwaller, the Wound Kills U. S. Soldier Cincinnati. - First Sergt. Charles well-known statesman, having arisen E. Cannon, thirty-five, of Company A. Ninth infantry, U. S. A., stationed at zen of Senegambian descent, in his Fort Thomas, Ky., died in the post hoshenhouse, proceeded to upbraid him pital from a bullet wound in the head, apparently self-inflicted. He did not "But, uh-hol' on, hon'able! Loogy regain consciousness sufficiently to asyuh a minute; dees loogy yuh, sah!" sign a reason. An automatic pistol expostulated the malefactor, "I owns was found near him.

Hot Metal Kills Man. Youngstown. - Three men were she or I knew exactly what had hap a pow'ful pompous one dey tells me, the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co.'s too-how kin yo' find it in yo' heart to plant. Dan Boich died of his injuries She was clever enough not to try holler dis-uh-way at a po', mizzable, and Thomas Morris and George Ento dismount, woman enough not to ignunt nigger, for tryin to make a dres are in the city hospital in a dying into a mold when a ton of metal blew up, sending a shower of flery fluid over them.

The Japanese frog is a creature measuring between fifteen and twenty-Killed During Friendly Scuffle. Dayton. - Miss Mabel Tinney, sixteen, of Lebanon, Warren county, look at her, so fearful was I of laugh- green or olive brown. The frog re was shot and almost instantly killed mains motionless during "e day, with by her brother, Ernest, 18, while they So we went on. The spectacle of a eyes sheltered from the light and with were playfully struggling for possescavalryman in full uniform leading a belly up, clinging to its support by adcavalry horse on which was seated an hesive cushions and by its belly, which which contained a cartridge. The boy Alsatian girl in bright peasant cos- is provided with a sticky covering, called a physician after making a hurnume appeared to astonish the few and it is hardly distinguishable from ried examination of the wound, but the the objects that surround it. At night girl died from internal bleeding be-We met a dozen people in all, I fall it begins its hunt for the mam- fore help arrived. Young Tinney is prostrated and has not been taken into

> an saloonkeeper, was sentenced Montenegro flee the Albanians. The for the second time to five years in Montenegrins help them in their efforts at reprisal against the common the penitentiary for manslaughter foe, the Turk. Albanians are great Ross killed Harry Hanna with a club lest January. on blood feuds. The Italian vendetta Boy Rescued With Neckties. an, Mary Edith Durham, traveler and Brinkhaven, - Carlos Parson, aged sixteen, was saved from drowning war correspondent, is a friend of the

Akron. - Charles Ross, an Ital-

Albanians. She often lives among after he broke through the ice while skating. Companions rescued him with a rope they made of their neck-Ship Owner Passes Away. Gallipolis,-Captain Edwin F. Mad dy, gixty-seven, prominent steamboat

commander and builder and owner of

everal Pittsburgh and Cincinnati packets, died suddenly at his home here. Capt Maddy last commanded the steamer Queen City. Dies as He Predicted. Steubenville.-Albert Skinner, aged forty-one was killed at Stratton's

mines by a fall of coal. He had predicted his early death by accident on New Year's. Marysville. - Frank Michaels, aged fifty, residing near Catawba Station, was found dead in bed in the

morning. He was feeling as well as

Train Kills Engineer. Toledo - Herman Raitz, nig engineer of the Lake Shore round house, was struck by a Lake Shore killed while on his way to work

## INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON FOR JANUARY 18.

THE GOOD SAMARITAN. LESSON TEXT-Luke 10:25-37. GOLDEN TEXT-"Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."-Mark 12:31.

Probably no other parable given by Jesus except possibly the Prodigal Son, has made such a deep impression as this one. It has inspired altruistic service, promoted the idea of the brotherhood of man, and served to crystalize Christian thinking and

I. "What shall I do?" vv. 25-29. (1) The first question. This lawyer in his test question implied that eternal life was dependent upon his works, a well nigh universal Jewish With a true teacher's skill, Jesus drew from his own knowledge of the law an answer to his question. viz.: that, on the ground of doing he must love the Father with an undivided heart; with all his soul, the seat of his emotions; with all his strength-energies; and with all his mind-his intellectual powers. The evidence of such a love is that he must love his neighbor as himself. This is a staggering program, and we believe the lawyer asked his second question because he was dazed when he, perhaps for the first time, really comprehended this wonderful summary of the law. Jesus, however, holds him inflexibly to his own idea of works, and replies: "This do and thou shalt live." Small wonder that Paul, comprehending the human impossibility of such a program, should rejoice in knowing one who was equal to the task, Rom. 8:3. Jesus met the lawyer on the same plane he had been approached and directly answers the query of verse 25.

Summarized the Law.

(2) The second question, (v. 29). Jesus had not said anything to this lawyer about belief, or faith, for he was not yet ripe for that idea. He had summarized the law and by this law Jesus must teach him. Rom, \$:19, 20; Matt, 22:37-40. It is one thing to read and summarize the law, and quite another to rightly apply it. It is quite possible to be ultra orthodox in our teaching and in our statements belief, and yet to fall far short of doing. The force of this second question is then, "Who must I love?" He avoids asking, "Who can I love?" The question was not as to who will be neighbor to me, but to whom shall I be neighbor? In answer to this Jesus employs this wonderful parable. (Note: - Explain the nature of a parable and the Master's frequent use thereof).

a parable but a literal experience is pretty generally believed. "The way of the transgressor" is a Jericho road, and the traveler therein is bound to be "stripped," if not always of his prosperity, then of his character, and will ultimately find himself "halfdead." If left to himself he will surely die, Rom. 5:6; 6:23. Jericho means "curse." Who then is the man I can neighbor? Any wretch that is passing along the Jerico road. Remember that Jesus is dealing with the sec ond half of the summary of the law. Three classes of men passed this man; (1) The Priest, of all men the most likely to help that fallen one, created in the image of God in whose worship he led. It is easy to find an excuse for this exhibition of heartlessness. The danger of robbers: of being suspected of complicity in the crime: the duties of his important office; the danger of contamination; a work not suited to his position in life. Let us beware of too hastily judging the priest until we examine ourselves The Levite. Perhaps he had seen his superior in the temple worship; he drew nearer than the priest, perhaps for the purpose of investigation, but offers no remedy. (3) The Samaritan. This ostracized man would have been snubbed and cursed by the wounded man under any other circumstances. He therefore could certainly have been excused had he followed the example of Priest and Levite. He is a type of Christ dealing in grace with one who had no claim upon him. Note the steps: (a) "He journeyed," are we to be found visiting the places of great need? (b) 'He came where he was," evidently not from idle curiosity, but to meet a case of need. (c) "He saw him." Too often our eyes are blind to the misery about us. (d) "He was moved with compassion." The compassion of Jesus was an active principle Does misery move us to action? Does it send us to cases of need, or do we

a public institution. Real charity is accompanied by warm, sympathetic, Christ-like, human hearts in action (f) "Brought him to an inn and took care of him." He walked that this man might ride. He finished the job, not leaving it half done. We, too, must help men clear through, temporarily or spiritually, and not, having helped them once, leave them to shift for themselves. This is a true picture of God's redeeming grace. Grace comes where the sinner is; it serves him as

wait for them to knock at our door?

Not

(e) "He bound up his wounds."

10:28, 29; Phil. 1:6 and John 14:3. Love Is Costly. It cost the Samaritan much to act

he is; it heals him and delivers him

to a place of perfect safety. Like this

Samaritan, our King of Grace has

promised to come again. See John

this way. Racial pride aesthetic repugnance, commercial obligations, perhaps family duties, to say nothing of the actual expenditures of time and money. But love is a costly thing. Jesus himself fully portrays this ple ture, John 3:16. The road was away from God's city, Jerusalem.

It is not so much the doing as the motive that compelled the doing. It was not duty but desire, compelling leve, that Jesus is exalting. Altruistic service never saved any man, I. Cor. 13. On the other hand, to make high sounding professions and not to give a tangible, material evidence which will affirm that profession, is to sound the note of insincerity, Jas: taste, as after that which proves you 2:16-18. The teaching of this story is to be a vessel fit for the master's use. that the true and acceptable motives | -C. H. Spurgeon. for altrustic, neighborly services, originate in a love for God that embraces man's threefold nature, body, mind and spirit.

## God Covering Adam

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TEXT-And unto Adam also and to his wife did the Lord God make coats of skins, and clothed them.—Gen. 3:21.



It is written in Scripture that God "covereth himself with light as with a garment (Psalm 104:2). and there are some who think we have a suggestion here of way in which our first parents were covered before the fall. But if so, they lost their outer glory with the inner, for no sooner did they commit sin, than

'the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked (Gen. 3:7). At once they took steps to conceal their shame by making for themselves aprons of fig leaves. so we read that, later on, after their trial had been held, the penalty pro-nounced, and, blessed be God, the hope of a Savior held out to them, their need in the particular was also met. The text suggests the plan. A lamb was slain, its blood was shed, and its covering appropriated for the guilty pair. The whole circumstance is not only a beautiful, but a most important symbol of God's dealings with the sinner in the spiritual realm.

1. Sin is an eye-opener. And this may be said even though it is equally true that the sinner is blind. How often he starts on a new career of ininquity, expecting satisfaction and pleasure, only to discover himself woefully disappointed and deceived. Happy is he, if at such a time, the power of the Holy Spirit works within him that deeper conviction of what sin really is and does, that may lead hip to seek eternal salvation from it.

2. The awakened sinner not infraquently attempts by his own revising to rid himself of the consequences of sin. The fig leaves be employed good resolutions, the temporary re-linquishment of some bad habit, the giving up of some form of vice, stay-ing at home nights, doing some deed of charity, attending church, perhaps "professing religion," as it is some-times called. But the fruitlessness of all these things soon appears as the stress of temptation comes

3. God only can cover the sinner's 3. God only can cord rightsous sin. "Not by works of rightsous but according which we have done, but acc his mercy he saved us, by the wa nearly three years ago killed Emma Combs, for which act he is 30-37. That this story is not alone the Holy Ghost, which he shed on us bundantly through Jesus Christ ou Savior." This is Paul's testimony to Titus, and it is the experience of every soul that is really saved (Titus

3: 5. 6). 4. God covers our sin by a of his own. As the prophet Isalah sings: "I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righte ness" (Isaiah 51:10). And Paul speaks in the same way in his epistic to the Romans, saying: "By the deeds of the law shall no flesh be justified in his sight; . . . but now the righteoness without the law is manifested,

. even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe"

5. God obtains this covering of righteousness for us by the offering up of the life of the innocent for the guilty. "He spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all" (Romans 8:32). "He made him to be sin for us who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him" (2 Corinthians 5:21). "Whom God hath set forth to be a propitia tion through faith in his blood"

mans 3:25). Do we not see how purposely God's covering of Adam symbolizes what he is ready to do in the case of any fallen sinner who realizes his need? Do you realize yours? Are you trying vainly to help yourself, to cover your own spiritual nakedness? Why not accept God's covering? Why not take Jesus Christ as your Savior by faith? Why not come to him today, and thus know "the blessedness of the man whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered" (Pslam 32:1). It is so easy to do this. As an un-

known author has said so beautifully: You ask me how I ever came to Christ's

I do not know; There came a longing for Him in my So long ago.

I found earth's fairest flowers would fade and die.
I yearned for something that would eat

acting by proxy; not sending him to And then at last somehow I seem

dare
To lift my broken heart to Him in prayer
I do not know.
I can not tell you how;
I only know He is my Savior now. You ask me why I ever came to Christ?

I can reply: It is a wondrous story; listen while I tell you why My heart was drawn at length to seek His

I heard of how He loved me, with a love Of depth so great—of height so far above All human ken. I longed such love to share,

And sought it then Upon my knees in prayer.

You ask me why I thought this loving Christ Would heed my prayer? I knew He died upon the cross for me, I nailed Him there. I heard His dying cry, "Father, forgive!" I saw Him drink death's cup that I might

He called me, and in penitence I came

He heard my prayer— I cannot tell you how. Or when, or where; Only I love Him now.

Keep Prepared.

Be ready. Your business is to be Have your tools well sharpened, and know how to handle them-The place will come to you, the best place for you, if you are not so much looking after that which meets your

No man can produce great things who is not theroughly sincere in dealthe with himself .- Lowell

Machine That Scientist Claims Has Great Possibilities-Experiments Made.

There is a remarkable little instru-

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usual when he retired for the night India placed a number of valuable Heart disease was given as the cause tion, M. de Kerlor said: "If you have rings on a stand in her bedroom in of death. the occult library in Piccadilly. It is all healthy and normal individuals the made with the instrument to show achieved by applying the magnetism tunate enough to get the one that had passenger train and was instantly